

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS COUNCIL OF CLARK COUNTY

JULY 14, 2003

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Doug Ballou at 7 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Introductions were made around the table. Attendance sheet is attached to the minutes.

CAMP BONNEVILLE LETTER

Doug Ballou announced that the letter to Joseph Whitaker, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, regarding the disposition plans for Camp Bonneville was sent on June 27, 2003. A draft letter had been sent to NACCC membership (on e-mail list) for review and comment. All editorial comments received were incorporated. No comments opposed to sending the letter were received. Art Stubbs made a motion in support of sending the letter. The motion was seconded and approved. A copy of the final letter will be sent out via e-mail and included in the next weekly information packet sent to all Clark County neighborhood leaders this week.

BUDDY GRAY SYNDROME

Doug Ballou shared a story from the Neighborhoods USA Conference that he attended in Chattanooga, TN in May about a community activist from Cincinnati, Ohio – Buddy Gray and the things we do as neighborhood leaders can make a difference.

CONSERVATION FUTURES PROPOSAL & FUNDING

Bill Dygert and George Simpson shared information about the proposed funding and plan for additional acquisitions of conservation lands. The Clark County Commissioners will be considering whether to place before voters a ballot measure that would enact a ¼ of 1% Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) on the sale of real estate county-wide. By State Law the County is able to do this and has the taxing authority if approved by Clark County voters. These funds would be dedicated solely for the purpose of acquisition and maintenance of conservation areas as identified in the proposed plan. The REET would be collected for 10 years and would generate approximately \$45 million. Informational brochures were handed out to meeting participants.

COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN UPDATE

Pat Lee, Clark County Director of Long-Range Planning, announced that the Clark County Commissioners had made a decision on a preferred alternative which was very similar but not identical to the proposal 2A made by Friends of Clark County. The maps are available for \$25 and can be viewed online at the Clark County website. The population growth rate assumption was changed from 1.5% to 1.83%. Population growth in rural areas was reduced from 19% to 10% to reflect that there are fewer parcels to be developed in the rural areas. The number of persons per household increased to an assumption of an average of 2.69 people per household based on the latest census data. In the growth plan more emphasis is placed on job creation. Clark County should expect to have to accommodate 147,300 new residents over the next 20 years.

Pat Lee said that the next steps are to analyze the Transportation impact for the preferred alternative. This will involve running the RTC model and is the critical path on the planning timeline. Also, the EIS will need to be updated for this preferred alternative and a capital facilities plan developed. Public Open Houses will be held across Clark County on September 10, 11, and 17th.

HOME-BASED BUSINESS ORDINANCE

Gordy Euler, Clark County Long-Range Planning, announced that a revised Home-Based Business Ordinance had been drafted and that it was out for public review and comment. Gordy shared the history on the development of this draft ordinance and emphasized that it not only covers the rural areas but also the urban areas of unincorporated Clark County. The Rural Enterprises Task Force who had been working on this ordinance held 19 meetings and presented their recommendations to the Planning Commission and Clark County Commissioners. Four options were considered and they determined to go forward with the proposed ordinance. Copies of that document were passed out to those in attendance and it can also be found on Clark County's web page. Gordy asked for comments to be directed to him.

C-TRAN 20 YEAR PLAN

Dale Miller, C-Tran Manager of Planning, shared information about the current effort by C-TRAN to get public input into their 20-Year Planning process. Since I-695 approval funding has been cut by 40%, but through reserves and efficiencies C-TRAN has been able to maintain most prior service levels. Without new tax revenues C-Tran will be faced with a major reduction in service levels by 2005. Where should these reductions be made? If public supports the continued level of service, then how will this be funded? Voters will need to decide if they are willing to approve a sales tax increase to fund public transportation in Clark County. They are re-evaluating services and want public input into this planning process. Dale invited those who are interested to attend a community meeting which will be held from 5 to 7:30 PM on Thursday, July 17th at the Parsely Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Camp Bonneville Meeting, Dollars Corner Fire Station, July 30 from 7 to 9 PM

Hazel Dell Sewer District Open House, Meet Bob Bandarra, New District Manager, on July 17 from 3 to 6 PM

West Precinct Advisory Group Meeting, July 15th.

NEXT MEETING

Please note meeting date and location change: Tuesday, August 12, 2003 at 7:00 PM at the Public Service Building, 1300 Franklin Street, 6th Floor Training Room.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Ballou, Chairman

July 31, 2003

ATTACHMENT

Attendees:

Bud Van Cleve, NEHDNA, Dick Durland, Sherwood Hills, Doug Ballou, Chair, George Vartanian, FGNA, James and Carol Jelley, EENA, William Moyer, PHNA, Art Stubbs, Green Meadows, Debbie Abraham, Felida Neighborhood Association; Cathy Steiger, Cedars Neighborhood Association; Pat & Ron Price, PHNA; Tom Stafford, Meadow Glade; Pat Lee, Clark County Community Development; Gordy Euler, Clark County Community Development; Debbie Mrazek, Livingston Mountain; Dale Miller, C-TRAN; Bill Dygert and George Simpson.